Instruction manual

Ed & Co™ Car Seat Capsule

Model FA005

Keep for future reference.

To reduce the risk of serious injury or death, read this owner's manual prior to installing and using this car seat.

Suitable for infants up to 13 kg.

Conforms to European ECE R44/04 in Group 0+ as approved by Land Transport NZ.

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Introduction

Hey there!

Firstly, thanks for choosing Edwards & Co - it truly means a lot to us that you have chosen one of our seats to keep your family safe.

A lot of time and money is spent ensuring that your car seat is the safest it can be. Our seats are rigorously crash tested and certified to the latest European safety standards in the Netherlands. But to get the maximum safety from your car seat it is very important that you read this instruction manual carefully. In particular, pay attention to the warnings included as well as the correct installation methods provided. Subtle differences can make a huge difference when it comes to safety.

We believe in long lasting relationships with our customers, and we'd love you to keep in touch. You can sign up for our website newsletter or follow us on Facebook. And remember that if you need anything we're a simple phone call or email away.

Enjoy your product, and remember to read this manual carefully!

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GENERAL WARNINGS

To reduce the risk of **SERIOUS INJURY** or **DEATH**, read this owner's manual and your vehicle owner's manual before installing and using this car seat. By properly using this car seat and following these instructions (and the instructions that accompany your vehicle), you will greatly reduce the risk of serious injury or death to your child from a collision.

- **NEVER LEAVE YOUR CHILD UNATTENDED IN THE CAR SEAT**
- **NEVER USE THE CAR SEAT IN A PASSENGER SEAT FITTED WITH AIRBAGS.**
- **NEVER** use the car seat without fastening it into your vehicle.
- **NEVER** alter or modify the car seat in any way as this may affect its performance in the event of a collision.
- The buckle **SHOULD ALWAYS** be easily accessible. It is important that your child can be released quickly in the event of an emergency.
- This car seat is **ONLY SUITABLE** for cars fitted with a 3-point static or retractable seat belt that is approved to UN/ECE regulation No. 16 or other equivalent standards.
- **ONLY FIT** to a forward-facing passenger seat. **NEVER** fit into a rear-facing or side facing seat.
- The seat is suitable from birth up to 13kg (approximately 12-15 months old).
- **DISCARD** the seat if it is involved in a serious collision **EVEN** if no damage is visible.
- The cover and fabrics of the seat are integral to its performance in the event of a collision. **NEVER** remove or replace the fabrics of the seat unless it has been approved by Edwards & Co.
- Fit the harness firmly to the child. A loose restraint or harness is **DANGEROUS.**

GENERAL WARNINGS

- The car seat is not intended to be a substitute baby cot or bed. It is only designed to enable safe transportation of children in motor vehicles. **NEVER** leave a baby in the restraint for long periods of time.
- Do not store in areas that may get hot, like in car boots, roof space or beside shed walls which can get hot in summer. **NEVER** place heavy items on top of the seat as this may distort the plastic.
- The restraint should not be purchased or sold as a second hand item unless you are sure about it's history.
- Do not to use this car seat if it is older than 10 years from the manufacture date (stamped on the underside of the seat) as the protection in an accident may be reduced.
- When in use with a stroller, **ENSURE** the seat it fitted tightly.
- The handle **MUST** be set in the correct position when used in the car or stroller.

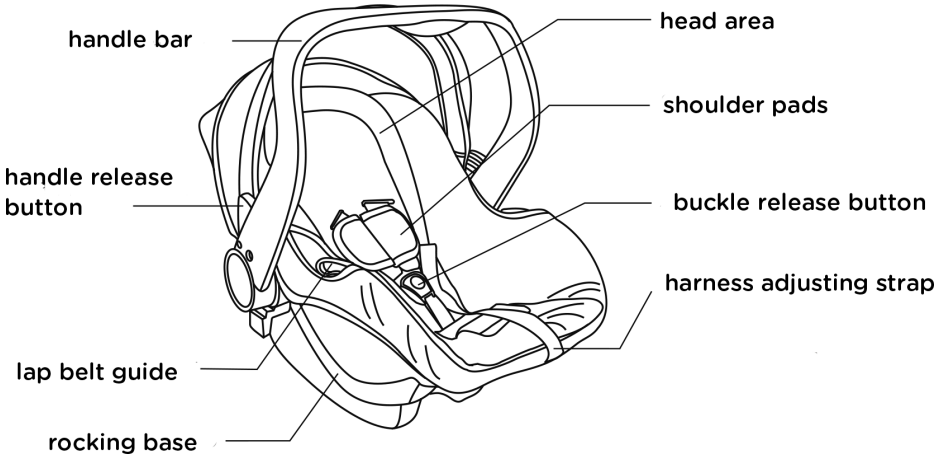
This is a "Universal" child restraint approved to European ECE R44/04 suitable from birth to 13 kg tested by TNO in the Netherlands.

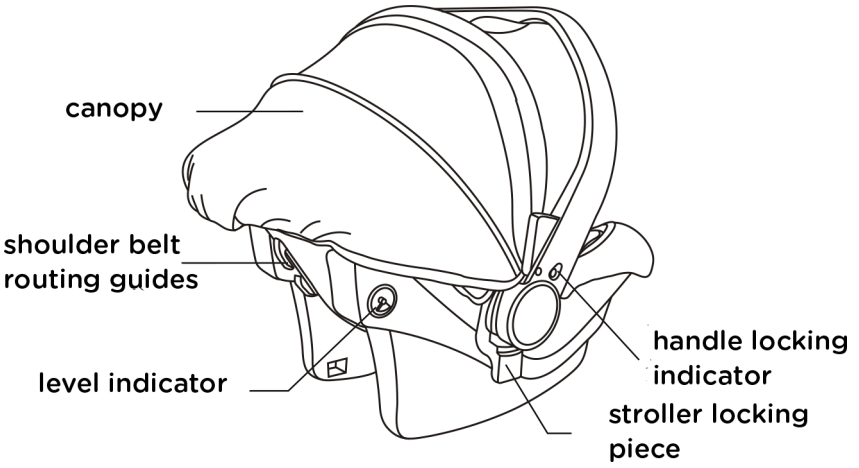
"Universal" means the seat is approved for use in all vehicles that meet ECE R14 and R16 regulations. A proper fit is more likely if your vehicle declares in it's user manual that it is designed to fit a "Universal" child restraint.

Vehicles that are declared "Universal" have been done so under more stringent conditions than those applied to earlier designs which do not carry this notice.

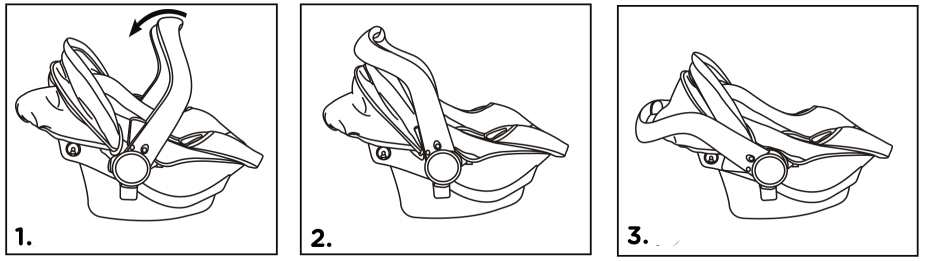
If in doubt, please contact Edwards & Co or your retailer.

Features of your car seat





Adjusting the handle

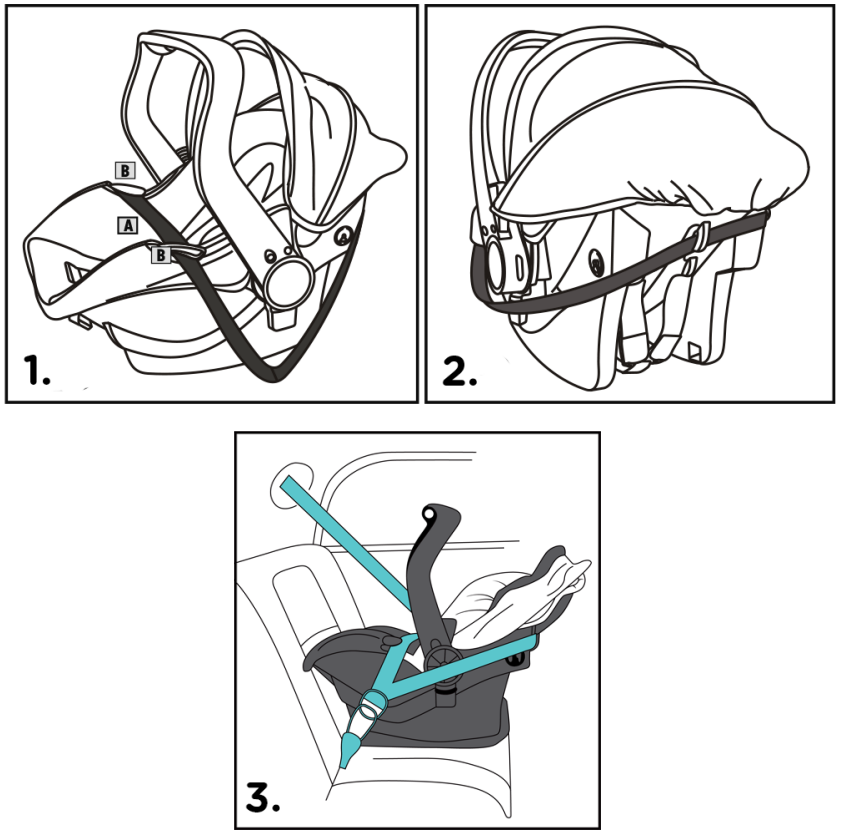


To adjust the handle, squeeze and hold both handle release buttons located near the circular shaped hinge, rotate the handle then release the button. The handle will lock into a position when you hear a **CLICK!**

There are three positions (as pictured):

1. Handle up – for carrying your child or when fitted into your car or stroller.
   IMPORTANT – the handle must be in this position when fitted to your car as it provides additional protection in the event of a collision.
2. Handle lock – when locking the capsule into your stroller.
3. Handle down – it can be used for rocking your baby on a firm, safe, flat surface.

Installing the seat to your car



1. Place the car seat into a forward-facing passenger seat and face the car seat towards the rear of the vehicle.
   IMPORTANT - Check the handle is in the 'Handle up' position as pictured in Figure 1.
2. Pull the lap belt as pictured in Figure 1. (A) over the foot area of the car seat and through the two lap belt guides as pictured in Figure 1. (B).

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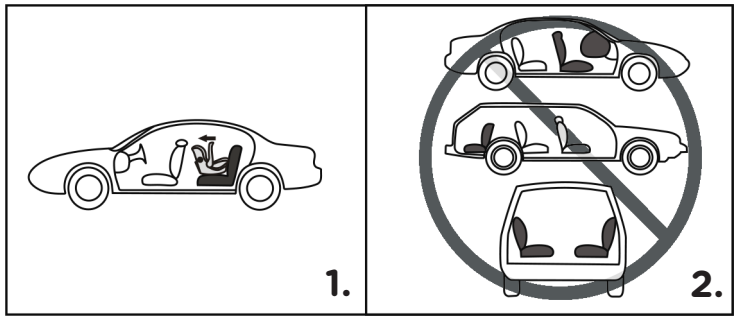
Installing the seat to your car (cont.)

1. After installation and tightening, the buckle on the passenger seat should be facing towards the lap belt guides as pictured in Figure 3.

IMPORTANT - always check that the seat is installed in a level position as indicated by the seat level positioner. See the section "Using the seat level indicator".

IMPORTANT – if the seat does not feel secure, or does not exactly match these instructions, go back and re-install it. Only once it is properly secured is it ready to use.

Where to install the car seat

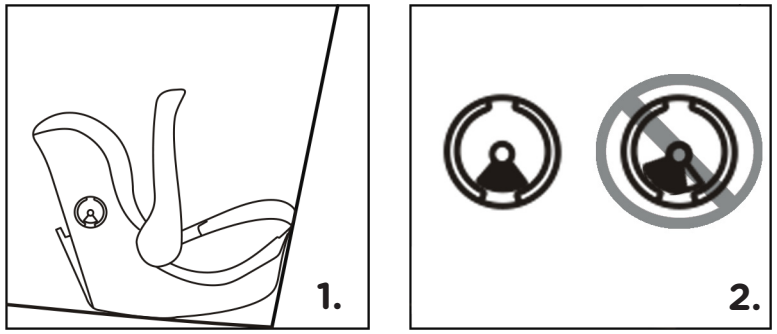


IMPORTANT - This car seat is only suitable for approved vehicles fitted with a 3 point seat static or retractable seat belt.

IMPORTANT - Only install the seat in a forward-facing passenger seat as indicated in Diagram 1 above. A forward-facing seat is one that faces in the direction of the car's movement. Do not install into a rear-facing or side-facing passenger seat as pictured in Diagram 2 above.

IMPORTANT - Do not install the car seat in a passenger seat fitted with airbags.

Using the seat level indicator



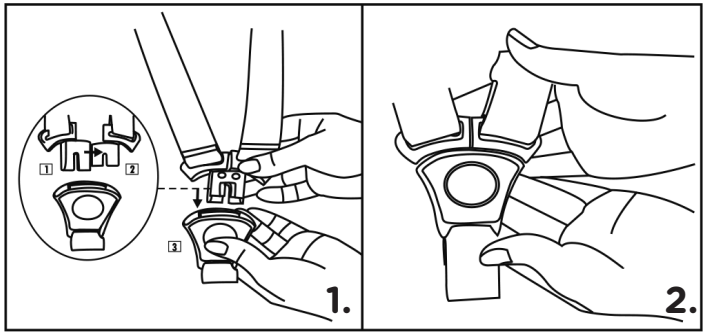
The level indicator is designed to help you install the car seat at the correct angle on the passenger seat. It is located on the outside of the seat as indicated in Diagram 1. above.

When the seat is fitted to your vechicle, the level indictor bell should always fit inside it's housing as indicated in Diagram 2 above.

Adjust the child restraint to the proper level to ensure maximum protection for your child. A tightly rolled towel under the front edge of the car seat can be used to achieve the correct level.

IMPORTANT – always check the indicator before and after fitting your car's seat belts.

Securing the harness to your child



1. Place your child in the seat. Make sure that your child's back and bottom are flat against the seat. This will maximise comfort and allow the harness to properly secure your child.
2. Position the height of harness according to your child's height. The harness straps should be level with their shoulders.

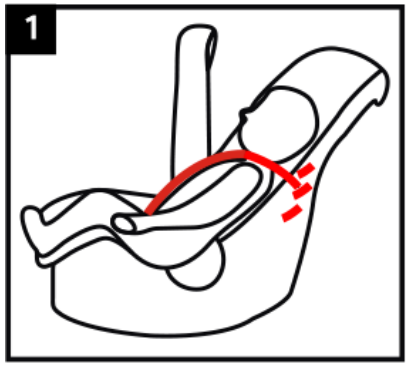
   IMPORTANT - Do not use the car seat with the harness if the child's shoulders are above the highest slots in the backrest or if the child's weight exceeds 13kg (to adjust the shoulder strap height see 'Adjusting the shoulder belt height').

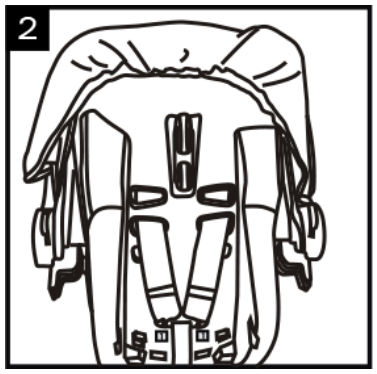
   As pictured in Diagram 1, combine the two locking clips together and insert them into the buckle housing until you hear a **CLICK!.** When it is connected it should appear as pictured in Diagram 2. Check that the buckle is secure by pulling the buckle. There should be a strong connection.

   To tighten the shoulder straps, push the harness adjuster button at the front of the seat and pull the harness adjusting strap.
3. To loosen the shoulder straps, push the harness adjuster button and pull the two shoulder straps towards yourself.

   IMPORTANT - for proper tightness, one finger (1cm) should fit between the harness straps and the child's shoulders.
4. To open the harness, press the red buckle release button on the buckle.

Adjusting the shoulder belt height





There are three height slot positions for the shoulder straps. As your child grows, you will need to move the straps according to your child's height.

IMPORTANT - The shoulder straps should be positioned so that they sit level with your child's shoulders. Diagram 1 shows the correct strap position.

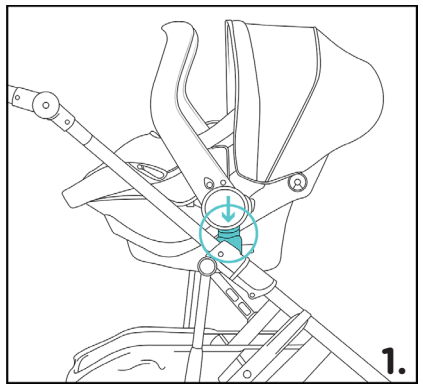
To adjust the shoulder belt height:

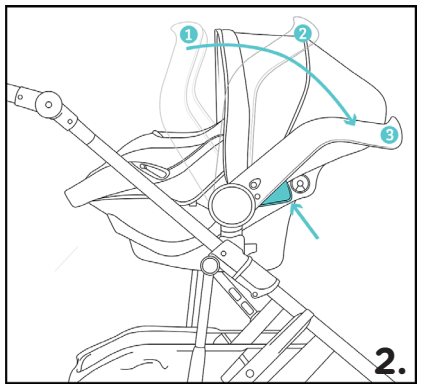
1. Remove the ends of the shoulder straps from the metal splitter plate behind the seat as shown in Diagram 2.
2. Pull the straps through to the front of the seat.
3. Re-insert the straps through the appropriate slots in the seat shell and through the layers of cushioning as appropriate.
4. Re-attach the loops on the straps to the metal splitter plate. Make sure the strap does not twist in any way.

IMPORTANT – Only use the top layer of insert cushioning when the shoulder belts are in the lowest position.

IMPORTANT - Do not allow the harness straps to become twisted as this may decrease the performance of the car seat in the event of a crash. The straps should be flat against your child's body.

Installing the capsule to your stroller





1. Locate the two inbuilt travel adaptors on your stroller as indicated in Diagram 1. Always make sure the parking brake is engaged before fitting the capsule.
2. With the handle of the capsule in the 'Handle up' position and it positioned in reverse facing position (with baby looking at you), insert the capsule's two male locking pieces into the stroller's two female travel adaptors as pictured in Diagram 1. Check that both locks have been properly inserted.
3. On the capsule, squeeze the handle release button and move the handle forwards into the 'Handle lock' position as pictured in Diagram 2. This secures the connection and locks the capsule to the stroller.
4. You should hear a **CLICK!** and see the handle locking indicator (found on the side of the capsule's handle) change to a green colour. The handle position should match that in Diagram 2 (position 3).

IMPORTANT – the handle lock indicator must be green to ensure the seat is safely locked into the stroller. Check that the capsule cannot be removed before using the stroller.

IMPORTANT – always fit the capsule in the reverse facing position.

Caring for your car seat

Important information

- **NEVER** lubricate or oil any part of the seat.
- Only use mild detergents.
- Wipe clean the seat shell, harness and EPS foam lining inside only.
- **NEVER** use solvents, harsh detergents or washing up liquids as these may damage the harness and seat.
- **NEVER** wring any fabrics.
- Dry thoroughly before storage.
- Store in a well-ventilated area, away from direct sunlight which could damage or fade your car seat.
- Store in a safe place when it is not being used. Avoid placing heavy objects on top of it.
- **NEVER** allow the seat to come into contact with corrosive substances such as battery acid or petroleum products.

Cleaning the fabric cover:

- Hand wash in warm water only.
- **NEVER** tumble dry.

To remove the cover from the car seat:

1. Remove the harness by gently feeding it through from the front to the back of the seat.
2. Remove the crotch strap, including buckle, by rotating it a quarter turn and feeding it out through the seat shell. The cover should now be free of obstruction.
3. Remove the cover and hand wash it at about 30ºC; dry flat away from direct heat.
4. To replace repeat the instructions above in reverse.

WARNING – ensure the harness is correctly fitted. Please follow the 'Adjusting the shoulder belt height' section for more information on harness fitting. If you are unsure please contact Edwards & Co.

Warranty information

All Edwards & Co products are guaranteed for two years from the date of purchase against defects in material and workmanship.

If we determine that the product has a manufacturing fault, we will repair or replace it free of charge to you. The decision to repair or replace is solely at the discretion of Edwards & Co. Proof of purchase must be provided.

The warranty is "return to base" and not a free in-home service. This means the customer is responsible for any inwards freight charge to return the product to an Edwards & Co representative for warranty or service.

Our warranty excludes claims resulting from misuse, abnormal use, overloading, general wear and tear, child outgrowing the product, not following instructions, transportation damage (including airline or freight damage), poorly maintained product, dropped goods, negligence, second-hand product, modified product, colour fading, mould, damage to inner foam in use or fabric cuts and tears.

The warranty excludes repairs to car seats that have been involved in a car accident.

Any replacement will not give the right for the warranty period to be extended.

Edwards & Co does not cover warranty if the product has been purchased second hand or from an unauthorised reseller.

For the complete terms and conditions of our warranty, please visit our website - **www.edwardsandcobaby.com/warranty**

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